

Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Applicant: Mike Bowen et al.

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Title: PRINTER SYSTEM HAVING A ROTATABLE INPUT TRAY WITH LENGTH ADJUSTER

REMARKS

The following remarks are made in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 13, 2005. Claims 1-11, 21-39 and 44 have been allowed. Claims 12 and 13 were rejected. Claims 14-16 have been objected to. With this Response, claim 14 has been amended, and claims 12-13, 17-20, and 40-43 have been cancelled. Claims 1-11, 14-16, 21-39, and 44 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

The allowance of claims 1-11, 21-39, and 44 is noted with appreciation.

In the Final Office Action, claims 14-16 were objected to for being dependent upon a rejected base claim. With this Amendment, claim 14 has been amended to incorporate all the limitations of base claim 12 and intervening claim 13. Consequently, claim 14 is now believed to be allowable. Since claims 15 and 16 each depend from amended claim 14, claims 15 and 16 are also believed to be allowable. Therefore, Applicants request that the above objections to claims 14-16 be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-11, 14-16, 21-39, and 44 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 1-11, 14-16, 21-39, and 44 are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the below-listed telephone numbers to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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